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How to Modify Tempo for Large Scale ICE Installations

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Agenda



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Overview of Pleiades

- 168 Compute Racks
- 10752 Nodes - 100,352 Cores
- 14 Front End Nodes
- 1 PBS Server
- 1 License Server
- 1 DNS Server
- 1 Performance Collection Server
- 4 Infiniband Subnet Manager Servers (IB0=Compute Fabric, IB1=Storage Fabric)
- 4 Bridge Node Servers (Bridge Columbia and Pleiades)
- 63 Lustre OSS/MDS Servers
- 7 Lustre Scratch Filesystems (Approx 4PB Raw Storage)
- 1 NFS Home Filesystem (Nexus 9000)



Pleiades Tempo Configuration

- Turn off post-discovery creation of the image tar files on RLCs.
- On the admin node, service, and compute nodes, remove `pdsh-mod-dshgroup` rpm. Use `pdsh-mod-genders` instead.
- On service nodes with external interfaces, we “`chattr +i /etc/hosts`”.
- After Tempo clones a compute image, it copies the admin node's `/root/.ssh/` and `/etc/ssh` information into the image. We copy our files back.



Pleiades Tempo Configuration

- We disable many things using the `/etc/opt/sgi/conf.d/exclude` file, most of them because we do equivalent setting changes another way.

80-enable-sysrq	80-md5-password-encryption.rhel6
80-fixup-zypp-product.sles10	80-md5-password-encryption.sles
80-increase-arp-cache-sizes	80-modprobe
80-increase-ssh-max-startups	80-named-init-fix.rhel5
80-ipmi-kernel-modules	80-network-kernel-tuning
80-kdump-diskfull	80-nscd-invalidate-hosts-cache
80-kudzu.rhel	80-ntp-sysconfig
80-limits-core-files	80-postfix
80-limits-mpi	80-serial-console-setup
80-make-gnome-default	80-service-distro-services



Pleiades Tempo Configuration

- In addition, the first run of bcfg2 after a service node is discovered chkconfig these services off:
 - 00-update-tempo-configs
 - 15-network-setup
 - 20-name-resolution
 - 80-csn-distro-services



Pleiades Tempo Configuration

- When not discovering, we disable sgi-esphhttp and sgi_espd xinetd services because they cannot handle the weekly Security port scan and flood the logs with error messages.



Tempo Modifications

- We want to disable most updating that Tempo does. Most of the stuff that Tempo updates becomes very redundant and causes a lot of time to be lost and generates a lot of extra network traffic when dealing with a large system. We modify the discover-rack and update-configs scripts to curb the number of updates.



Tempo Modifications

- /opt/sgi/lib/discover-rack (admin node)

```
pladmin3 /opt/sgi/lib # diff -c discover-rack discover-rack.orig
*** discover-rack      Tue Dec 14 15:22:13 2010
--- discover-rack.orig Thu Jan 20 07:02:31 2011
*****
*** 170,181 ***
#####
t_unlock(\$lock_fh);

- # update Tempo configs (does its own locking)
- # NAS mod to limit updates to single rack leader
- $ENV{NAS_LEADER} = $leader;
- run_cmd("$cmd_update_configs");
- # end mod
-
  # sync with ESP/ log ESP change event (ESP does its own locking)
  run_cmd("$cmd_esp --setup ice_system --no_rmt_subscr --rack $rack");

--- 170,175 ----
```



Tempo Modifications

- /opt/sgi/lib/update-configs (admin node)

```
pladmin3 /opt/sgi/lib # diff -c update-configs update-configs.orig
*** update-configs    Wed Dec 15 14:46:19 2010
--- update-configs.orig Thu Jan 20 07:03:25 2011
*****
*** 39,54 ****
    my $update_tempo_configs = "/etc/opt/sgi/conf.d/00-update-tempo-configs";
    my $pdsh_leader_group = "/etc/dsh/group/leader";
    my $pdsh_service_group = "/etc/dsh/group/service";
- # NAS mods to disable most updating
- my $pdsh_leaders = "echo pdsh -g leader $update_tempo_configs";
- if (defined($ENV{NAS_LEADER})) {
-     $pdsh_leaders = "pdsh -w $ENV{NAS_LEADER} $update_tempo_configs";
- }
- my $pdsh_service = "echo pdsh -g service $update_tempo_configs";
- if (defined($ENV{NAS_SERVICE})) {
-     $pdsh_service = "pdsh -w $ENV{NAS_SERVICE} $update_tempo_configs";
- }
- # End of NAS tweaks
    my $lock;
    my $lock_fh;
    my $update_flags = "";
--- 39,44 ----
```



Experience During Last Tempo Upgrade

- Total time to upgrade Pleiades: 3 days and change
- 15 of first 50 RLC's had bmc issues. Stopped counting after that.
- CMC issues issues galore.
- Partial failures on rack with no indication from Tempo that there was a failure. (hosts come up without names, etc..)
- One rack re-imaged itself after crashing and rebooting.
- cimage –push-rack hasn't worked since approximately after 40 racks were installed.



Future Changes

- Definitions
 - tempo_current = current version of tempo
 - tempo_upgrade = version of tempo we are upgrading to
 - admin_current = current admin node
 - admin_upgrade = ad



Future Changes

- On current admin node, clone current slot to upgrade slot:
 - `root@admin# clone-slot -source 1 -dest 2`
- Boot into slot2
- Add repos
 - `root@admin# yume --prepare --repo /tftpboot/SGI/tempo-upgrade`
 - etc..(foundation, OS, propack)
- (may need to run udevadm trigger to create device files)



Future Changes

- Mount slot 2 on the admin node
 - # mkdir /a
 - # mount LABEL=sgiroot2 /a
 - # mount LABEL=sgiboot2 /a/boot
- Mount slot 2 on the RLCs
 - # pdsh -g rlc mkdir /a
 - # pdsh -g mount LABEL=sgiroot2 /a
 - # pdsh -g mount LABEL=sgiboot2 /a/boot



Future Changes – Mount proc, etc...

- Mount /proc, /sys, /dev on admin_current
 - # mount -o bind /proc /a/proc
 - # mount -o bind /sys /a/sys
 - # mount -o bind /dev /a/dev
- Mount /proc, /sys, /dev on RLCs
 - # pdsh -g rlc mount -o bind /proc /a/proc
 - # pdsh -g rlc mount -o bind /sys /a/sys
 - # pdsh -g rlc mount -o bind /dev /a/dev



Future Changes

- Upgrade tempo
 - `chroot /a env PBL_SKIP_BOOT_TEST=1 yume --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/tempo --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/foundation --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/sles11sp1 upgrade`
- Set the default slot to “slot 2”
- Umount `/a/proc`, `/a/sys`, `/a/dev` and reboot admin node (leave leaders alone for now)
- After system reboots, we are now in the `admin_upgrade` server. Run the DB upgrade script:
 - `/etc/init.d/sgi-database-update start`



Future Changes

- May need to run the following scripts:
 - /opt/sgi/lib/reset-admin-network
 - /opt/sgi/lib/update-configs
 - /opt/sgi/lib/cluter-configuration
- Add new repos (we did this already, but on the slot 1 admin server)
 - `root@admin# crepo --del (foundation, OS, propack)`
 - `root@admin# crepo --add (foundation-upgrade, OS-upgrade, propack-upgrade)`



Future Changes

- Back to leaders
- At this stage all leaders should be up with slot 2 mount at /a
 - `pdsh -g rlc chroot /a env PBL_SKIP_BOOT=1 yume -y --noplugins --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/tempo --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/foundation --repo http://admin/repo/tftpboot/2.1-upgrade/sles11sp1 upgrade`
- Umount everything
 - `pdsh -g rlc umount /a`



Final Thoughts

- New patch puts a mysql db on all RLCs.